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BY THE GRACE OF GOD AND FAVOUR OF THE APOSTOLIC SEE
ARCHDIOCESE OF NAGPUR

DECREE

My Dear Fathers, Brothers, Sisters and all the faithful,

In the exercise of my pastoral office and desiring to deepen the spirit of prayer among the faithful and to entrust the Archdiocese more fully to the maternal intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, following the example of our Patron, St. Francis de Sales, who faithfully recited the Memorare in times of crisis, challenges and difficulty, I invite the faithful to seek her powerful intercession for the safeguarding of human dignity and religious freedom.

I hereby decree that henceforth, in all Parishes, Chapels and Religious Communities, Formation Houses and Convents within the Archdiocese of Nagpur, the **Prayer "Memorare"** (याद कर विनती) **shall be recited after every celebration of the Holy Eucharist**, following the Final Blessing and preceding the Recessional Hymn.

All Parish Priests, Rectors, Superiors of Religious Houses and those responsible for liturgical celebrations are bound to ensure faithful observance of this norm.

This decree has immediate effect.

Given at the Archbishop's House, Nagpur, on the twenty-fourth day of the Year of the Lord two thousand and twenty-six, on the Solemnity of Saint Francis de Sales, Patron of the Archdiocese of Nagpur.

✠ Elias Gonsalves
Archbishop of Nagpur Metropolitan

